



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Public Meetings of the Science Advisory Board Hexavalent Chromium Review

Panel

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces two public meetings of the Science Advisory Board Hexavalent Chromium Review Panel. The purpose of the meetings is to discuss charge questions, listen to agency presentations, listen to public comments and peer review the EPA's draft IRIS Toxicological Review of Hexavalent Chromium.

DATES: The public meeting for the Science Advisory Board Hexavalent Chromium Review Panel to receive the briefing from EPA will be held on February 15, 2023, from 12 noon to 5 p.m. The public meeting for the Science Advisory Board Hexavalent Chromium Review Panel to peer review the documents will be held on March 29-31, 2023, in Washington, DC. All times listed are in Eastern Standard Time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting on February 15, 2023, will be conducted virtually. Please refer to the SAB website at <https://sab.epa.gov> for information on how to attend the meeting. The March 29-31, 2023, meeting(s) will be conducted in person at Renaissance Arlington Capital View Hotel, located at 2800 S Potomac Ave, Arlington, VA 22202,

and virtually. Please refer to the SAB website at <https://sab.epa.gov> for information on how to attend the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any member of the public who wants further information concerning this notice may contact Dr. Suhair Shallal, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), via telephone (202) 564-2057, or email at shallal.suhair@epa.gov. General information about the SAB, as well as any updates concerning the meetings announced in this notice can be found on the SAB website at <https://sab.epa.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The SAB was established pursuant to the Environmental Research, Development, and Demonstration Authorization Act (ERDDAA), codified at 42 U.S.C. 4365, to provide independent scientific and technical advice to the EPA Administrator on the scientific and technical basis for agency positions and regulations. The SAB is a Federal Advisory Committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C., app. 2. The SAB will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies. Pursuant to FACA and EPA policy, notice is hereby given that the Science Advisory Board Hexavalent Chromium Review Panel will hold two public meeting(s) to discuss charge questions, listen to agency presentations, listen to public comments and peer review the EPA's draft IRIS Toxicological Review of Hexavalent Chromium.

Availability of Meeting Materials: All meeting materials, including the agenda will be available on the SAB webpage at <https://sab.epa.gov>.

Procedures for Providing Public Input: Public comment for consideration by EPA's federal advisory committees and panels has a different purpose from public comment

provided to EPA program offices. Therefore, the process for submitting comments to a federal advisory committee is different from the process used to submit comments to an EPA program office. Federal advisory committees and panels, including scientific advisory committees, provide independent advice to the EPA. Members of the public can submit relevant comments pertaining to the committee's charge or meeting materials. Input from the public to the SAB will have the most impact if it provides specific scientific or technical information or analysis for the SAB to consider or if it relates to the clarity or accuracy of the technical information. Members of the public wishing to provide comment should follow the instruction below to submit comments.

Oral Statements: In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at a meeting conducted virtually will be limited to three minutes and individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at an in-person meeting will be limited to five minutes. Each person making an oral statement should consider providing written comments as well as their oral statement so that the points presented orally can be expanded upon in writing. Persons interested in providing oral statements should contact the DFO, in writing (preferably via email) at the contact information noted above by February 8, 2023, to be placed on the list of registered speakers for the February 15, 2023 meeting and by March 22, 2023, to be placed on the list of registered speakers for the March 29-31, 2023 meeting.

Written Statements: Written statements will be accepted throughout the advisory process; however, for timely consideration by SAB members, statements should be submitted to the DFO by February 8, 2023, for consideration at the February 15, 2023 meeting and March 22, 2023, for consideration at the March 29-31, 2023 meeting. Written statements should be supplied to the DFO at the contact information above via email. Submitters are requested to provide a signed and unsigned version of each document because the SAB Staff Office does not publish documents with signatures on

its websites. Members of the public should be aware that their personal contact information, if included in any written comments, may be posted to the SAB website. Copyrighted material will not be posted without explicit permission of the copyright holder.

Accessibility: For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact the DFO, at the contact information noted above, preferably at least ten days prior to the meeting(s), to give the EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

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